

REMARKS:

The claims have been amended so that there is now a total of 19 claims, that is less than the allowable 20 claims and there are 3 independent claims which are Claims 1, 20 and 21. It will be noted in this regard that Claims 2 and 16 have been cancelled and claims 17 to 21 added. No claims fees are therefore payable.

The Examiner has indicated the allowability of Claim 2 and the independent claims now presented have been amended so that they include the features of Claim 2 so that each independent claim should therefore be allowable.

In particular Claim 1 has been amended so that it now incorporates substantially verbatim the features of Claim 2 and as last paragraph of the claim and therefore it is submitted that this claim is in good order for allowance.

Claims 20 and 21 also present the same features but are presented to define the invention in slightly different terms. However the patentable features set forth in Claim 2 is present in each of these claims.

It is believed therefore that each of the independent Claims 1, 20 and 21 is allowable in accordance with the indication by the Examiner of the allowability of Claim 2.

For completeness, the following points are presented in relation to the distinction of the present invention from the prior art of Gevins.

Gevins explicitly excludes "patients" (column 11, lines 38-60) and is aimed only at those with normal IQ, who are well-educated, and who are not clinically abnormal. We explicitly have aimed our tests at the clinically abnormal patient without regard to IQ level or education status;

Gevins (column 8) does not use a computerized neuropsychological test. They use simple stimuli (letters presented on computer screen, column 10, lines 47-66). They measured their "subject" (not "patient") with the WAIS in its standard format (column 9, lines 5-8). The present invention has taken the standard psychometric test (WAIS) and computer adapted it to be able to simultaneously record patients' neurophysiological responses as they actually performed the test.

Claims 1, 5, 7, 15, and 16 have been clarified due to Gevins'419 incorrect usage of the term "neuropsychological." The term computerized standardized psychometric test (CSPT) is now used to distinguish the claims from those of Gevins.

The disclosure has also demonstrated extensively that the CSPT versions share the same psychometric properties of the original tests and also produce the same behavioral responses as the original tests.

Each of the claims now present in the application has been carefully amended to incorporate the points set forth by the Examiner in the section identified as "Claim Objections" commencing on page 2. Also those claims having rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112 as set forth in the paragraphs commencing on page 4 have also been amended.

Yet further, the claims have been carefully reviewed, bearing in mind the points raised by the Examiner and bearing in mind the necessity for consistency of language and clarity so as to enter yet further amendments which are believed to present the claims in the best possible form.

It is believed that the amendments made both to the Examiner's objections and to the Examiner's suggestions together with the further amendments

made will be apparent from the amendments presented above and therefore do not require individual comment.

With regard to the listing of references, it is submitted that none of the references listed in the document is material to the examination and therefore none has been presented on an Information Disclosure Statement. However the references cited in the document are believed to be of interest to persons skilled in the art reading the document and therefore are maintained in the document merely as a list showing references of interest.

Further and favourable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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